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Youth Advisory Council Minutes

February 22nd, 2021 • 6:00 P.M. • Teams Meeting

Present: Abigail E., Lucy A., Sam B., Julia L.

Staff: Sean Poulin

Non Present: Cade C., Jack S., Shae B.

Non Voting: James B., Mark B.

Welcome

Meeting Called to Order by Sam at 6:04 pm

Motion to Approve January Minutes

Lucy Motions, Abigail Seconds

City of Frederick Updates

Sean shares link for vacancies in other City Boards/Commissions, discusses City of Frederick Parks and Recreation Master Plan and how the YAC will be involved in a Focus Group. New City Police Chief was announced.

Civics with the Mayor Updates

Council hasn't heard any updates. The first episode (Julia) will be aired this month. Ashely Waters is seeking the Council to make recommendations on the next episode. Julia and Sam discuss that a Voting episode can be important as this year is a City Election year.

Council discusses how prior year voting drive efforts that were halted by COVID, can be done this year.

YAC on local podcast

Sam will be on a local podcast with other youth community members discussing a range of topics including youth voting. Other members are invited and can contact Sean or Sam for more information.

Raised Garden Bed Project – Teen Volunteers

The City of Frederick obtained a grant to build raised garden beds and a rain barrel at Overlook Park. The Parks and Recreation department is seeking teen/young adult volunteers to be Garden Ambassadors to assist with the build/management of program. Sean explains

the season will be from April to November and they would like a group of volunteers that could cover at least the majority of that time. The opportunity will not only give volunteers service hours but also provide skills in project management and community involvement. Abigail is interested in being an ambassador. Julia gives her approval of project and discusses that these projects are good for the city residents.

New Business?

Sam discussed how successful the park clean up registration has been and would like them to happen twice a month. Sean explains he does not see any issue with that and they could be the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month.

Sam is still working on getting SGA contacts to Sean

Next Meeting: March 23rd 2021 6pm

March's meeting may be a Focus Group for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. More details to come